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To Louis Ivon
From Harold Weisberg

Oswald's literature distribution

In addition to what I told you today of my yesterday's very pleasant interview with David Chandler, I think it significant that he said Jesse Core told him of finding a stack of Oswald's literature inside the ITM doors. My recollection is not certain on whether Core reported an altercation about this, and I will not be until I transcribe the tape Chandler agreed I could make. Although it is inconsistent with what I recall from other information, for some reason I seem to recall his having said this.

I am certain Chandler said Core had told the FBI of the literature and that he gave it to them.

Chandler was twice interviewed by the FBI himself. He agrees he is the "Crawford" in Oswald's notebook. From George Healey I learned on Monday that Oswald had also been to the papers to see Cowan, then city editor.

Strangely enough, Chandler recalls that Oswald complained of Bringuier having sold "bonds" without a license, and of his not getting what he regarded as less than a proper press for his propaganda activities. This could have been an invitation to an unpleasant press attention, with most papers. I suggest this is not inconsistent with what I regard as Oswald's purposes, attracting attention to himself as "pro-Castro". Because Chandler dates this in September, which may be wrong, it also suggests the possibility of such activities at a date later than the FBI reported. That would make the Secret Service report I gave Sciambra, outlining how the FBI forced the Secret Service out of this part of the investigation, even more interesting.